

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

In the Matter of CHRISTOPHER STEMPEL and U.S. POSTAL SERVICE,
POST OFFICE, Cincinnati, OH

*Docket No. 00-2000; Submitted on the Record;
Issued August 8, 2001*

DECISION and ORDER

Before DAVID S. GERSON, BRADLEY T. KNOTT,
A. PETER KANJORSKI

The issues are: (1) whether appellant established that he sustained an emotional condition in the performance of duty; and (2) whether appellant met his burden to establish that the claimed recurrence of disability on and after August 18, 1998 is due to the accepted employment-related injuries of April 13, 1987 and July 11, 1988.

The Board has given careful consideration to the issues involved, the contentions of the parties on appeal and the entire case record. The Board finds that the decision of the hearing representative of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs dated and made final on February 28, 2000 is in accordance with the facts and the law in this case and hereby adopts the findings and conclusions of the Office hearing representative.

The decision of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs dated February 28, 2000 is affirmed.

Dated, Washington, DC
August 8, 2001

David S. Gerson
Member

Bradley T. Knott
Alternate Member

A. Peter Kanjorski
Alternate Member